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SUBJECT: BUNDESTAG PRESIDUM MEETING IN WEST BERLIN

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1. LATEST FRG DEMAND FOR INSTANT TRIPARTITE DETERMINATION OF ACCEPTABILITY OF PRESIDUM MEETING IN BERLIN IS EXACTLY THE KIND OF SITUATION WE WISH TO AVOID BEING PLACED IN UNDER TIME PRESSURE, AND IS ONE OF BASIC REASONS WE BELIEVE, CONTRARY TO VIEWS EXPRESSED BY UK AND FRENCH (BONN 2740), THAT ADOPTION OF WESTERN CONSULTATION PAPER IS SO IMPORTANT IN PREVENTING FUTURE BERLIN PROBLEMS.

2. IN PRESENT INSTANCE FRG HAS NOT GIVEN US BASIC FACTS ON
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WHICH TO REACH ADEQUATE JUDGMENT. WE DO NOT KNOW WHY

BUNDESTAG PRESIDUM WISH TO MEET IN BERLIN ON MARCH 5, OR
WHAT WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.

3. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, WHILE IT WOULD BE COMPARA-
TIVELY EASY FOR THE US TO JOIN IN SAYING THE PROPOSED PRE-
SIDUM MEETING WOULD NOT BE A GOOD IDEA, WE THINK IT PREFERA-
BLE FOR THE US ON FEBRUARY 21 TO INQUIRE OF BAHR (A) WHETHER
THE FRG CONSIDERS THE PROPOSED BERLIN MEETING POLITICALLY
INADVISABLE AND (B) WHETHER THE FRG IS PREPARED TO SO
INFORM BUNDESTAG PRESIDENT RENGEL. IF BOTH ANSWERS ARE
POSITIVE, WE SHOULD INDICATE OUR WILLINGNESS TO ENDORSE
THIS PUBLICLY, IF NECESSARY, BUT IT SHOULD BE PRESENTED

AS AN FRG AND NOT AN FRG/ALLIED POSITION.

4. IF BAHR RESISTS OUR POSITION, THEN YOU SHOULD INDI-
CATE OUR WILLINGNESS TO COME TO A DEFINITE JUDGMENT WHICH
WE ARE PREPARED TO ANNOUNCE PUBLICLY, BUT ONLY AFTER WE
HAVE BEEN FULLY CONSULTED AND GIVEN A CHANCE TO CONSIDER
ALL THE FACTS. RUSH

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